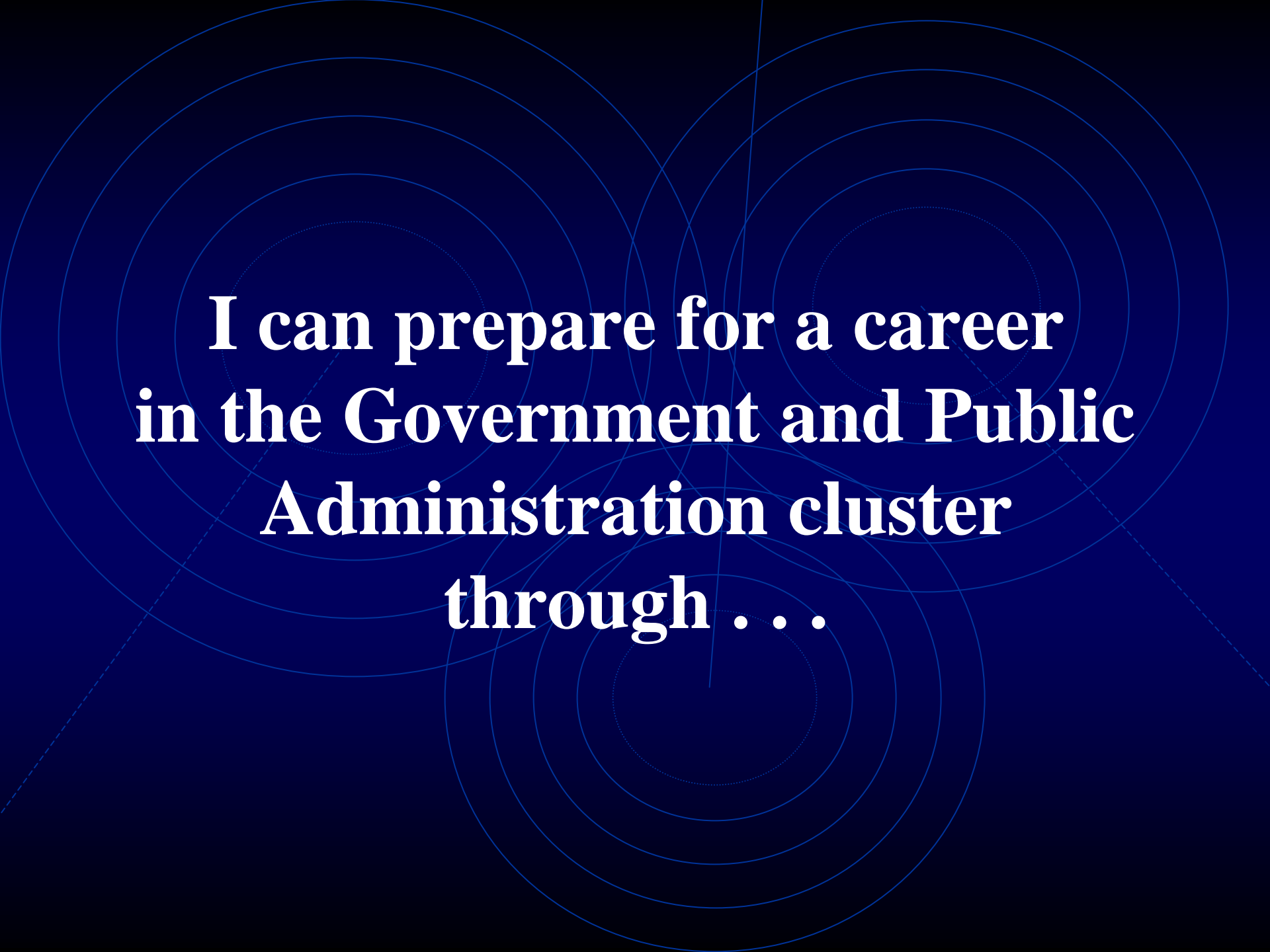


GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION



Cluster Description

Jobs in this cluster involve planning, managing, and providing government, administrative and regulatory services at the federal, state and local levels. While nearly every occupational specialty can be found within government, this cluster focuses on only seven concentrations.

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**I can prepare for a career
in the Government and Public
Administration cluster
through . . .**

... Coursework

- Business Law
- Government
- English
- Foreign Language
- Mathematics
- Political Science
- Speech/Debate

... School Activities

- Jr. ROTC
- Student Council
- Debate Team
- Speech Team
- Mock Trial
- Other student organizations with a strong leadership development focus

... **Community Involvement**

- Attend local government meetings or hearings
- Do community service or service learning projects in agencies related to this cluster
- County Government Day
- Boys & Girls State

... Community Involvement

- Talk with and job shadow people employed in this cluster
- Be an election volunteer
- Leadership development programs sponsored by local civic groups

Government & Public Administration Pathways

- Revenue & Taxation
- Foreign Service
- Governance
- National Security
- Planning
- Public Management and Administration
- Regulation

REVENUE AND TAXATION

Revenue and Taxation workers ensure that governmental units collect tax dollars, review tax returns, conduct audits and collect overdue tax dollars. Most careers require at least a Bachelors degree.

Related Post-Secondary Programs of Study

Bachelor's Degrees

- Political Science
- Geography
- Economics
- Statistics

Advanced Degrees

- Political Science
- Geography
- Economics
- Statistics
- Research & Methodology

Career Specialties - Jobs

- Assessor
- Auditor (state, county, local)
- Internal Revenue Investigator
- Revenue Agent/Officer
- Tax Examiner/Assistant/Clerk
- Inspector General

Career Specialties – Jobs

- Tax Attorney (Bankruptcy, Estate Tax, Sales Tax, Income Tax, Corporate Tax)
- Tax Policy Analyst
- Econometrician
- Economist

FOREIGN SERVICE

Foreign Service workers serve in embassies, consulates and in other diplomatic positions around the world and in Washington D.C. A Bachelor's or advanced degree is generally required.

Related Post-Secondary Programs of Study

Bachelor's Degrees

- International Studies
- Sociology
- Geography/History
- International Business
- Economics
- Statistics

Advanced Degrees

- Sociology
- Economics
- Statistics
- Survey Research & Methodology

Career Specialties - Jobs

- Ambassador
- Consular Officer
- Foreign Service Officer
- Administrative Officer
- Political Officer
- Economic Officer

GOVERNANCE

Governance workers include officials elected or appointed to local, state and federal government positions.

Related Post-Secondary Programs of Study

Bachelor's Degrees

- Political Science
- Geography
- Economics
- Statistics

Advanced Degrees

- Political Science
- Economics
- Statistics
- Law
- Research & Methodology

Career Specialties - Jobs

- President and Vice-President
- Governor and Lieutenant Governor
- Mayor
- Cabinet Level Secretary (federal/state)
- Representative (federal)
- Senator (federal/state)
- Policy Advisors

Career Specialties – Jobs

- Assistants, Deputies, and Chiefs of Staff
- Commissioner (county or city)
- Commissioner of state agency
- Congressional or Legislative aide
- Legislative Assistants
- Specialists within state agencies
- Lobbyists

NATIONAL SECURITY

National Security workers protect American interests around the world and provide for a safe environment for American citizens.

Related Post-Secondary Programs of Study

On-the-Job Training

- Military Reserve
- Any branch of the Armed Forces

Advanced Degree

- Survey Research & Methodology

Bachelor's Degrees

- Military Science
- Psychology
- Electrical Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Foreign Language

Career Specialties - Jobs

- Staff or Field Officers
- Electronic Warfare Operations Officers and Specialists
- Combat Operations Officers and Specialists
- Infantry Officers and Specialists
- Field Artillery Officers and Specialists
- Air Defense Artillery Officers and Specialists

Career Specialties - Jobs

- Special Forces Officers and Specialists
- Armor Officers and Specialists
- Surface Ship Warfare Officer
- Submarine Officer
- Munitions Officers and Specialists
- Nuclear Weapons Officers and Specialists
- Missile and Space Systems Officers and Specialists

Career Specialties - Jobs

- Combat Control Officer
- Intelligence/Counterintelligence Agent or Specialist and Intelligence Analyst
- Cryptographer
- Signals Intelligence Officers/Specialists and Signals Analyst
- Navigator

Career Specialties - Jobs

- Pilot
- Special Operations
- Navy SEALS
- Army Rangers
- Air Commandos
- Force Reconnoiterers
- Covert Intelligence Officer

PLANNING

Planning workers develop land use policies, promote best use of a community's resources and provide data for officials to make informed decisions.

Related Post-Secondary Programs of Study

Bachelor's Degrees

- Economics
- Geography
- Engineering

Advanced Degrees

- Community & Regional Planning
- Economics
- Architecture
- Geography
- Survey Research & Methodology
- Engineering

Career Specialties - Jobs

- Business/Enterprise Official
- Chief of Vital Statistics
- Commissioner of various agencies
- Director of various agencies
- Economic Development Coordinator or Specialist
- Federal Aid Coordinator

Career Specialties - Jobs

- Census Clerk
- County Director – various services
- Census Enumerator
- Planner or Senior Planner
- Emergency Planner
- Management Analyst

PUBLIC MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

Public Management and Administration workers are stewards of public resources and work in positions within local, state or federal agencies.

Related Post-Secondary Programs of Study

Bachelor's Degrees

- Actuarial Science
- Management
- Business Administration
- Economics
- Statistics
- Criminal Justice
- Social Work

Advanced Degrees

- Public Administration
- Survey Research & Methodology
- Actuarial Science
- Management
- Economics
- Business Administration
- Statistics

Career Specialties - Jobs

- City Manager
- City Council
- City or County Clerk
- Court Administrator or Clerk
- Foundation Executives
- Association Executives
- Charitable Organization Executives
- Industrial Foundation Executives
- Chamber of Commerce Executives

REGULATION

Regulation workers protect our health, safety and environment as well as ensure the integrity of our financial, transportation and public utilities.

Related Post-Secondary Programs of Study

Bachelor's Degrees

- International Business
- Economics
- Statistics
- Human Services
- Environmental Science

Advanced Degrees

- Economics
- Survey, Research & Methodology
- Human Services
- Environmental Science

Career Specialties - Jobs

- Business Regulation Investigator
- Chief of Field Operations
- Code Inspector/Officer – various agencies
- Director – various functions
- Equal Opportunity Officer
- Bank Examiners
- Aviation Safety Officer

Career Specialties – Jobs

- Child Support Officer
- Election Supervisor
- Enforcement Specialist
- Border or Cargo Inspector

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